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SUBJ: BUDGET BILL PASSES

REF: A. BANGKOK 21570; B. BANGKOK 20982

1. DURING THE EVENING OF OCTOBER 10 THE PARLIAMENT PASSED THE THIRD AND FINAL READING OF THE BUDGET BILL BY A 139 TO 100 VOTE. THE SOCIAL AGRARIAN PARTY ABSTAINED EN MASSE. SOCIAL AGRARIAN LEADER SAWET PIAMPONGSAN LATER STATED THAT THE SOCIAL AGRARIANS HAD ABSTAINED BECAUSE THE GOVERNMENT HAD SATISFACTORILY RESPONDED TO NEARLY ALL THEIR DEMANDS.

2. COMMENT: THE PASSAGE OF THE BUDGET BILL WAS NEVER IN DOUBT. (REF A). THE GOVERNMENT COALITION HELD TOGETHER REMARKABLY WELL THROUGHOUT THE FIVE DAYS OF TEDIOUS, SOMETIMES HEATED DEBATE. THE ABSTENTION OF THE SOCIAL AGRARIANS IS SIGNIFICANT SINCE IT LENDS WEIGHT TO THE SPECULATION THAT THEY WILL JOIN THE GOVERNMENT COALITION IN THE NEXT CABINET RESHUFFLE. THIS MAY ALSO TIE IN WITH WHAT PHON SITTHI-AMNUAI, A SPEECHWRITER FOR FINANCE MINISTER BUNCHU ROCHANASATHIAN AND A MEMBER OF THE SOCIAL ACTION PARTY (SAP), TOLD EMBASSY
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OFFICERS ON OCTOBER 9. HE SAID THAT THE NEXT CABINET RE-

SHUFFLE MAY BE A MAJOR ONE INVOLVING NOT ONLY THE REALIGN-
MENT OF PARTIES WHICH MAKE UP THE COALITION BUT A REALIGN-
MENT OF PARTIES THEMSELVES ALONG THE LINES ENUNCIATED BY
PRIME MINISTER KHUKRIT PRAMOT IN HIS OCTOBER 3 SPEECH AT
THE FOREIGN CORRESPONDENTS CLUB (REF B). HE SAID THAT THE
COALITION WILL OF COURSE BE BUILT AROUND KHUKRIT AND WILL
INCLUDE PARTIES WITH POLICIES COMPATIBLE WITH THAT OF
THE SAP.

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